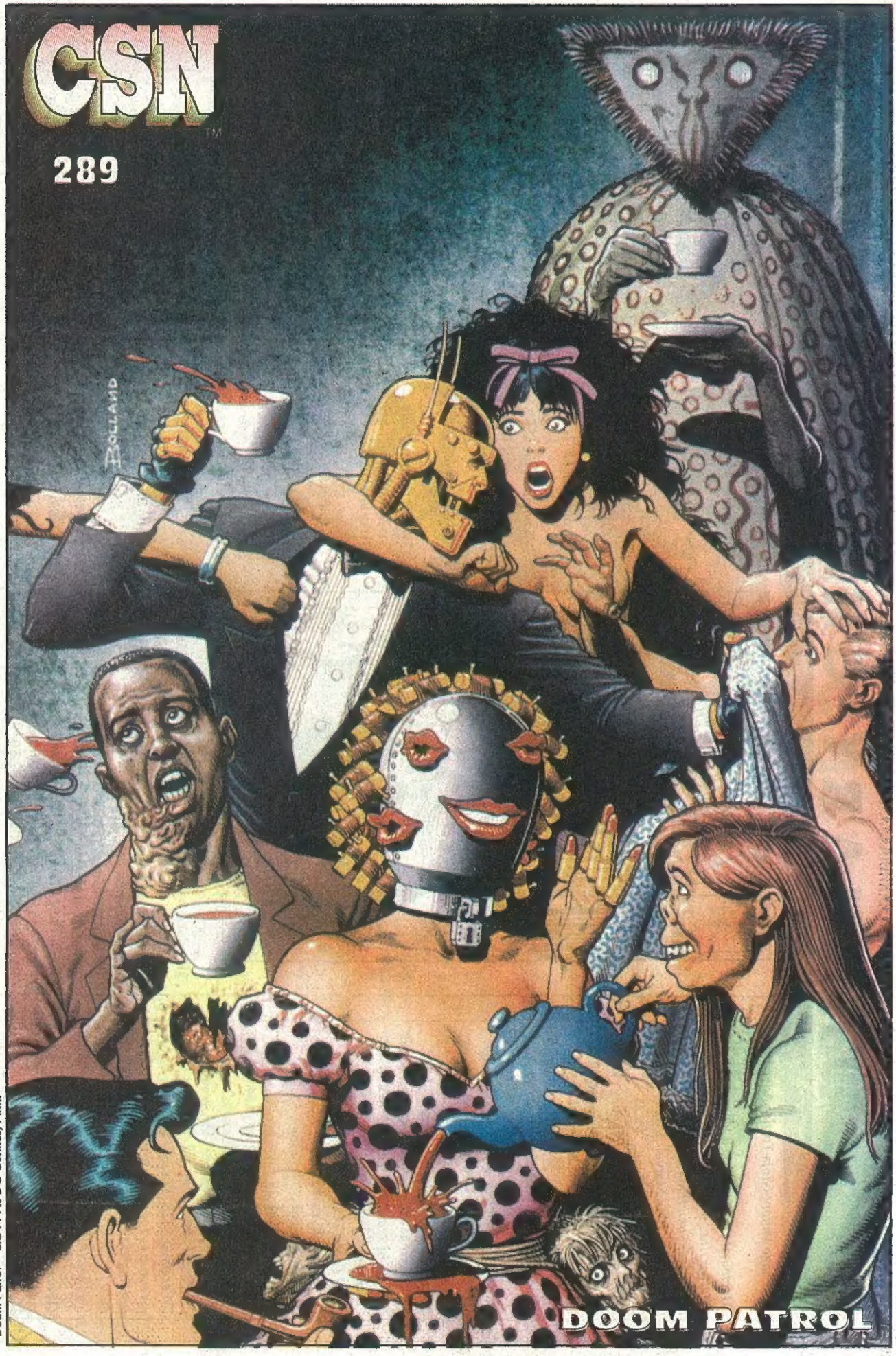

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Topps Has "King" in Spring

For over a half a century, Jack Kirby has been legendary in the comics industry. In the 1940's and the 1950's, he (and partner Joe Simon) brought to comics a flare and a visual excitement rarely seen elsewhere in the industry. In the 1960's, he was integral in transforming a second-string publisher of monster comics into the premiere superhero publisher in the field. In the 1970's, he revitalized the DC Universe with the introduction of Darkseid, the New Gods, and the other inhabitants of Kirby's Fourth World. In the 1980's, he became one of the first major professionals to join the fledgling independent publishing market. Now, in the '90's, Kirby is eager to continue bringing his concepts to comics fans—and Topps Comics is quite eager to offer him that opportunity!

Kirby has signed an exclusive agreement that allows Topps to present decades' worth of unpublished Kirby concepts, heroes, and stories. According to Topps' editor Jim Salicrup, it will take many years for the company to work its way through this treasure trove of material and offer it to today's fans.

"It's a great honor to be associated with the Topps organization in this exciting new venture," Kirby said. "The artists and writers they've chosen to work on my material are top not pros and perfect for the task. Roz and I are looking forward to successful and gratifying results."

Kirby was a major factor in Marvel Comics' rise to prominence thirty years ago; now, at Topps, he will be working with many of the same creators with whom he worked in those early Marvel Bullpen days, including Don Heck, Dick Ayers, Steve Ditko, and John Severin. Additionally, Topps will be utilizing the talents of other creators associated with Marvel's late 60's and early 70's comics, including Roy Thomas, Gary Freidrich, and Gerry Conway.

Topps is kicking off its Kirby comics with three one-shot titles in April; the three books lay the foundation for the subsequent ongoing series, ***The Secret City Saga.*** Once again—as he has done so often before—Kirby has created a complex, interwoven world that melds mythology, history, legend, and superheroics.

"Everyone's asking me if Topps Comics is interested in creator-owned projects," Salicrup said. "The answer's obviously yes, and I can't think of a talent more deserving of a creator-owned deal than Jack Kirby. We couldn't be more excited about bringing his unique visions to '90's comics fans."

The initial one-shots will introduce the concept of the Secret City. The trio of superheroes are survivors of an ancient civilization destroyed 15,000 years prior. They have been in suspended animation since that time, but are awakened to save today's world. The three titles are ***Night Glider,*** plotted by Roy Thomas, scripted by Gerry Conway, and illustrated by Don Heck; ***Captain Glory,*** written by Roy Thomas and drawn by Steve Ditko; and ***Bombast,*** plotted by Roy Thomas, scripted by Gary Friedrich, and illustrated by Dick Ayers and John Severin (Friedrich, Ayers, and Severin worked together on several acclaimed issues of Marvel's ***Sgt. Fury*** title). Image fans won't want to miss ***Bombast,*** since the first issue features a special cameo appearance by Erik Larsen's Savage Dragon. All three one-shots are slated for April release.

In May, the ongoing ***Secret City Saga*** picks up where the one-shots left off, continuing the adventures of these new heroes. The new series will be written by Roy Thomas and illustrated by Steve Ditko. "When Jim Salicrup mentioned this intriguing concept, I didn't need much selling," Thomas said. "It's a pleasure to be working with a bunch of old friends." Thomas got his start in comics in the late-60's Marvel Bullpen, and went on to serve as Marvel's Editor-in-Chief for a time.

Topps has another Kirby book on line for spring '93 release that does not tie in with the ***Secret City Saga*** storyline. ***Satan's Six*** is the story of a half-dozen malefactor-wannabees who are pulled from their own time periods and stranded in limbo. They determine to make Hell their home (it's better than limbo, they conclude), and set out to terrorize our modern-day world; as it turns out, though, their results aren't quite as evil as they originally intended. ***Satan's Six*** will be written by Tony Isabella and illustrated by John Cleary; not only is Jack Kirby supplying the pencils for the first issue's cover (which will be inked by Todd McFarlane), but he is also supplying eight pages of story and art in the premiere issue. ***Satan's Six #1*** is scheduled for April release.

As has been Topps' pattern with its other comics releases, the company will be polybagging the books along with specially-designed trading cards. The Kirby Month cards will feature art by some of the hottest talents in the field. Topps will also offer additional Kirby collectibles to comic shops and fans.

by CLIFF BIGGERS

KUGA
THE LION-KILLER
THE TRUTH IS--HE'LL FIGHT ONE -- BUT HE WON'T KILL ONE... KUGA SECRETLY LOVES ANIMALS...
DOCTOR MORDIUS
NO SELF-RESPECTING MASS-MURDERER WOULD ASSOCIATE WITH HIM...
DEZIRA OF BABYLON.
SHE'S TOO CUTE AND DIZZY TO BE A BONAFIDE TEMPTRESS. SHE'S LIKE GOLDIE HAWN...
FRIGHTFUL--
HE'S A REAL, BONA-FIDE FIEND FROM HELL. HIS POWERS ARE AWESOME... HE'S SENT ALONG TO KEEP THE OTHERS IN LINE, BUT HE WINDS UP HELPING THEM...
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New Writer Isn't Taking Doom Patrol For Grant-ed

When Grant Morrison initially announced that he was planning to leave ***Doom Patrol*** after the storyline that wraps up in ***Doom Patrol #63***, some speculated that DC would cancel the book at that time. After all, they said, who would possibly be able to follow Morrison's surreal direction on the book?

Ironically, the answer to that question initially came to ***Doom Patrol*** editor Tom Peyer via the mail. Rachel Pollack, an established novelist and poet who was also a fan of Morrison's Doom Patrol, had written a few fan letters to the book—letters which caught Peyer's attention. Shortly afterwards, Peyer was introduced to Pollack by ***Swamp Thing*** editor Stuart Moore, and things clicked. The result? Pollack will take over as the ***Doom Patrol***'s new writer beginning with ***Doom Patrol #64,*** a February 4th release.

In an interview in ***Diamond Previews***, Vertigo Group Editor Karen Berger said, "Rachel's take on ***Doom Patrol*** is very much in sync with what Grant Morrison was doing, but also puts a very different spin on it. I think that readers who liked Grant's stuff will like Rachel's stuff, but she's not, in any sense, imitating him. She has a very strong, very personal style, and is an extremely effective writer..."

In "Sliding From the Wreckage," Pollack's first three-part story arc, the Doom Patrol appear to be gone—but ape-faced Dorothy has conjured up her own images of the Doom Patrol to battle the apparitions that plague her in her new, friendless world. But will the real Doom Patrol ever return?...

Art fans will be pleased to hear that two artists long associated with Doom Patrol—Richard Case and Stan Woch—will illustrate the series. According to DC, Case and Woch's "previous work on this title has been compared to Kirby's heyday on the Fantastic Four." The title will also gain a new cover artist beginning with ***Doom Patrol #63:*** Brian Bolland, whose work has brightened the covers of ***Animal Man*** and ***Wonder Woman.***

by CLIFF BIGGERS

Magnor Villain Fighter

If you're worried that the Earth is going to be ultra-powerful-hero-less now that Superman is deceased, fret no longer; Sergio Aragones and Mark Evanier are rushing to fill in the gap. We don't mean that Sergio and Mark are donning tights and readying themselves to battle crime (although there are some who'd pay good money to see such a thing occur...); instead, Sergio and Mark have created a new superstrong hero who's ready to battle crime and save the planet. His name is The Mighty Magnor, and he is to the superhero world what Groo is to heroic fantasy.

"A planet in another galaxy sends a robot scout to invade Earth," Aragones said. "The scout crash-lands and all his mechanisms go berserk and he wanders around in the streets." This hero is Magnor, who doesn't remain direction-less for long; he soon meets two would-be cartoonists who use Magnor as the model for their new superhero book. All it takes is a little fine-tuning, a superhero touch or two (like a cape), and some sprucing up—and Earth has its own superhero. Unfortunately, there isn't much for Magnor to do... until he begins reading all the comics that are lying around the studio, and decides to emulate the heroes in those books.

"***The Mighty Magnor*** is super-heroes as only Sergio can do," Chris Ulm, The Mighty Magnor's editor, said. "Cross ***The Terminator*** with ***Groo*** and throw in Tim Burton's ***Batman*** for spice and you've got ***Magnor!***"

Ulm announced that ***The Mighty Magnor #1,*** a March release, will feature the comic book industry's first pop-out cover (but this enhancement will be offered on first printings only, so don't miss out!). ***The Mighty Magnor #1***, a 32-page full-color comic, is priced at $3.95. Malibu will also offer a standard-format newsstand edition for $1.95.

by WAYNE LEE

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Fantastic Four #375 Is Doom-ed!

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For more than thirty years now, Dr. Doom has been one of the Fantastic Four's most deadly nemeses. So what's going to happen after ***Fantastic Four #375***, when Doom acquires new powers?! Will there even be a ***Fantastic Four #376***? (In case you're worried, the answer is "yes"...but let's move on...)

In ***FF #375***, *Tom DeFalco* and *Paul Ryan* introduce the more powerful Doom, who gains his powers from the Rogue Watcher. Naturally, it's up to the Fantastic Four to stop Doom from using his new-found abilities to take control of the Marvel Universe.

Fantastic Four #375 will be almost impossible to miss; the book will feature an attention-getting holografx foil cover with UV coating, so it'll all but glow on the comic shop racks. Look for this 48-page $2.95 comic on February 25th.

Doc Savage: The Pre-Bama Years

For most of us who first met Doc Savage in the 1960's, *Jim Bama* is the ***Doc Savage*** artist. Long-time pulp aficionados remember the pre-Bama version of Doc Savage as he appeared on the covers of his many pulp exploits. One of the best known ***Doc Savage*** illustrators was *Walter Baumhofer*, the acclaimed pulp artist sometimes known as "King of the Pulps." Baumhofer painted a total of forty ***Doc Savage*** covers, including the landmark cover for the first ***Doc Savage*** pulp. And this February, Doc Savage fans will have a chance to own a stunning reproduction of this sixty-year-old painting, sans overlaid text.

Will Murray, the author of Bantam Books' new Doc Savage titles, was able to locate the original painting for this rare ***Doc Savage*** pulp cover, and he made it possible for Graphitti to shoot from the original painted art. As *Bob Chapman* of Graphitti said, "For the cover from this first historic book to still be around and to be able to shoot directly from the original, capturing all of the intense color and details, is like a dream come true. The production of this print not only marks the first time ever that this painting has been reproduced as a high quality print without any cover logos or copy, but also marks the first time since the early 1930's that this cover has been reproduced and made available in any form at all."

Graphitti's ***Walter Baumhofer Man of Bronze Print***, a 950-copy limited edition priced at $29.95, is scheduled for late February release—which means that it will be available to fans exactly sixty years after the cover made its debut on the front of ***Doc Savage Volume 1 #1***! Interested fans should let the folks at their local comic shop know that they have to have it—and tell 'em that ***CSN*** sent you, okay?...

...Or Give Me Death!

Death will be paying a visit to your house soon—if you let the folks at your local comic shop know that you're interested, that is! Death is DC's latest fully-assembled, hand-painted statue offering; the figure is scheduled for April 29th release, and it will be just as limited in quantity as every other DC sculpture. *Randy Bowen* and his studio, Bowen Designs, have sculpted and prepared the statue (these are the same folks who have already designed DC's Sandman, Batman, and Lobo statues), so you know that the quality will be excellent. The statue is based on a design by *Chris Bachalo*, the artist for the upcoming ***Death: The High Cost of Living*** limited series. If your collection won't be complete without this unique item, then talk to the folks at your comic shop; because of the expense, this item will most likely be ordered to fill customer requests. DC's ***Death Statue*** is priced at $124.95.

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Junkwaffel Flies Again!

It's been many months since Fantagraphics first announced their *Vaughn Bode* sf collection ***Junkwaffel Volume One.*** Well, it looks like fans will finally have the opportunity to enjoy these unique science fiction tales. "We know we originally announced this for last August," Fantagraphics said, "but we've had good reason to hold it back: the additional time has allowed us to collect superb direct-from-the-original-art reproductions of several stories for this volume—many of which will therefore see their finest reproduction ever..."

Junkwaffel Volume One, an 80-page $12.95 trade paperback that includes five pages of full-color strips, a never-before published *Vaughn Bode* cover painting, and a back cover portrait of Bode by *Jeff Jones*, is scheduled for February release; the book is intended for mature readers.

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Just In Time For Valentine's Day...

Beauty and the Beast fans are quite familiar with *Olivia De Berardinis'* painting of Vincent and Catherine done for the series. Not only did the stunning painting appear on the cover of First comics' ***Beauty and the Beast*** graphic novel, but the original painting also played an important part in one of the better episodes of the television series. Ever since the painting first appeared, fans have wondered how they could get a copy of it for their own walls—and Olivia fans have asked the same question. Now both groups can be happy, because Innovation Comics is offering a very large poster of this stunning painting of the two lovers in a romantic pose; the $5.95 poster stands almost three and a half feet tall, although it is priced the same as a standard sized poster. ***Olivia De Berardinis' Beauty and the Beast Poster*** is scheduled for early February release, making it an appropriately romantic Valentine's gift.

We've All Come To Look For America

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America's democratic movement began in the revolutionary underground of the colonies, so it's somehow appropriate that it should find its second life in the revolutionary underground of the post-apocalyptic Mega-Cities. The revolutionaries are disorganized and all but overwhelmed by the incredible authority wielded by the Judges—but they still have hope that they can return to the pre-Judge days of freedom. One couple has even named their daughter "America" in hopes that she might someday reside in a land that lives up to the promise of her name...

Judge Dredd: America, a two-issue miniseries by *John Wagner* and *Colin MacNeill*, chronicles the exploits of the young girl known as America, a girl who hopes to lead her country back to its legendary former status, no matter what it takes. Her ambitions put her at odds with the powers that be—and in particular with Judge Dredd, the most powerful of those powers. ***Judge Dredd: America #1,*** a $2.95 comic, is slated for early March release.

A Coloring Milestone

Milestone Comics, the new Milestone Media culturally-diverse-superheroes line that DC will distribute early next year, is taking advantage of improving printing on today's comics. The company will offer a full-process color system, which they call Milestone 100, on its books; this will allow them to offer the more complex, attractive color work found in more upscale books, even though Milestone titles will be printed on standard-format paper.

"Milestone 100 will allow our colorists to use a much broader palette than the traditional coloring process, without pricing our books through the roof," Editor in Chief *Dwayne McDuffie* said. "Special coloring techniques, such as airbrushing, will become commonplace. This will be a more painstaking method; the greater number of choices available to the colorist will require a great degree of artistry and control. Fortunately, our colorists are all more than suited to the task."

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"We see this as a first move towards giving colorists the same level of creative input as the other artists involved," said creative director *Denys Cowan*. "Soon, we expect our colorists to have large followings, the way our pencillers and inkers already do." Readers will see the polychromatic results when the Milestone line debuts beginning in February; keep an eye on ***CSN*** in the next few weeks for a detailed look at Milestone's initial offerings.

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Ironing Out Their Difficulties

Tony Stark has been Iron Man for thirty years now—but that doesn't mean that his fill-in, Jim Rhodes, is ready to give up the armor. After all, Rhodey—along with the rest of the Marvel Universe—assumed that Tony Stark was dead, so he had mentally prepared himself to be Iron Man forever. The result is a final showdown for the Iron Man title; you'll be able to see the knock-down-drag-out in ***Iron Man #291***. You'll also learn more about Tony's new armor as he uses it to dispatch a group of Warbots sent to demolish Stark Enterprises. ***Iron Man #291***, written by Len Kaminski and illustrated by *Kevin Hopgood* and *Mike DeCarlo*, is scheduled for February 25th release.

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Dark Knight Confronts White Supremacists

"Turf," a two-part storyline appearing in ***Batman: Legends of the Dark Knight*** #s 44 & 45, once again pits Batman against real-world perfidy more malignant than any supervillain. In this storyline set early in Batman and Jim Gordon's careers, both men must confront the social cancer of white supremacist gangs. Batman's investigation begins in response to a rising teen gang violence problem... a problem spearheaded by the Brotherhood of the White Night, a fascist white supremacist group. Before too long, Batman uncovers proof that his problem is Jim Gordon's problem as well, because it's clear that the group has ties within the Gotham City police department! "Turf" is written by *Steven Grant*, creator of ***Whisper*** and the author of the ***Punisher*** miniseries that revitalized the hero a few years ago; the story arc is illustrated by *Shawn McManus*, whose work has appeared in ***Sandman***, ***Demon***, and ***Swamp Thing***. ***Batman: Legends of the Dark Knight #44*** is slated for February 25th release; the second installment follows on March 25th.

A Model Hero...and a Pair of Model Villains

Three years ago, Horizon Hobbies offered its first Batman vinyl model kit, based on the costume designs for the ***Batman*** film. Well, if you saw ***Batman Returns*** (and shame on you if you didn't!), you saw that there were significant changes in the Batman costume for the 1992 film. Not wanting to be behind the times, Horizon has designed a new Batman vinyl kit featuring the new, sleeker costume. This isn't just a minor variation on the old kit; Horizon's new Batman is a totally new figure in a different, more striking pose.

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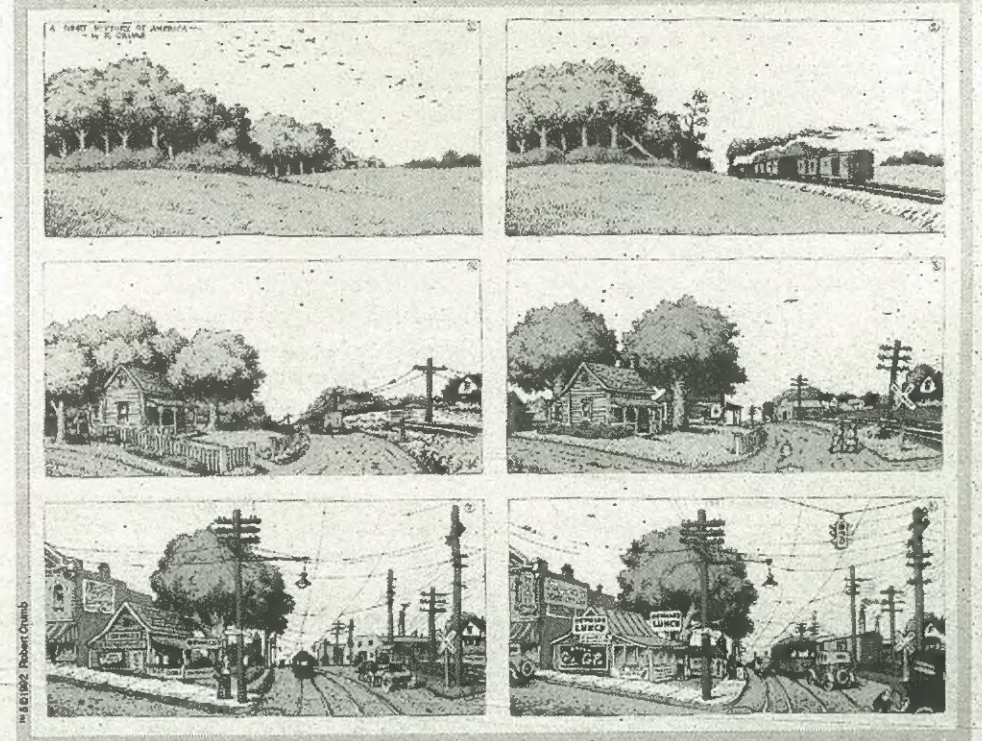
What is Batman, though, without his adversaries? In conjunction with their new Batman figure, Horizon is also offering two new vinyl kits: the Penguin (which comes with a commando penguin sidekick) and Catwoman. Both figures are based on the film designs, and are in the same scale as the Batman figure so that all three can be displayed impressively as a set. Each figure is priced at $44.95; be sure to let your local comic shop know that you're interested, and tell 'em that ***CSN*** sent you!...



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Crumb's Short History of America Gets Longer

In the 1970's, *Robert Crumb* created an inspired classic with his twelve-panel ***Short History of America***. The captionless drawing depicts the changing landscape of an increasingly-urbanized piece of America. The piece original appeared in ***Co-Evolution Quarterly***; it inspired so many comments that Kitchen Sink later released it as a poster ("The most popular poster we ever released," *Denis Kitchen* said). In the early 1980's, Crumb created three new panels showing what might come next; those additional panels have never previously been available as an integrated part of the original image, however.

In February, Kitchen Sink Press corrects this oversight with the release of ***Robert Crumb's Short History of America*** as a seventeen-color serigraph (a serigraph is a true sillkscreen print, not a simple mass-produced photoprint; this means that a serigraph is a true piece of art in its own right). This limited edition 250-copy print is produced on heavy acid-free deckle-edge paper, ready for framing, is individually signed and numbered by Crumb. Most stores will only order this $250 print to fill customer requests, so let 'em know that you're interested! (And while you're there, tell 'em that you read about it in ***CSN***.)

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The Odd Couple

Lobo and Telepath aren't what you might call a natural team; one of them is a near-psychopathic, brutal killer, while the other is an empathic, logical hero. When they end up stranded on a deserted planetoid, you know that there's going to be trouble—unless Telepath can do something to keep Lobo occupied, that is...

LEGION '93 #51 strands Lobo, Telepath, and a cannibalistic alien prisoner on a planetoid, where they soon get the "Desert Island Blues." Since Lobo is feeling a bit violent, it's up to Telepath to stop him from giving in to his urges; to distract him, Telepath tells the details of his poignant secret origin. So is the distraction successful? You can find out on February 25th, when *Alan Grant*, *Barry Kitson*, and *Alcatena* tell the tale.

Three For the Price of One

The appearance of a *Carl Barks* Donald Duck reprint in an issue of Donald Duck Adventures is a great reason to pick up a copy of the book in question. The addition of a story by *William Van Horn*, whose work was the highlight of the title's early issues, makes the book doubly desirable. But when you top it all off with a new story by modern Duck master *Don Rosa*, the result is a true must-have... which is just what ***Donald Duck Adventures #37*** is.

"The Duck Who Fell to Earth," Rosa's new adventure, takes Donald and Uncle Scrooge into space where they hope to make money salvaging obsolete satellites; before too long, they discover that space is much more dangerous than they anticipated. Rosa also supplies the new cover for this issue, which features two reprints of Carl Barks stories that haven't been available in standard comics format for over forty years. ***Donald Duck Adventures #37***, a March release, is priced at $1.50—quite a bargain for the heaping helping of talent it presents.

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Deep Space Nine Is an Exciting Enterprise For Malibu

Last summer, ***CSN*** broke the news that Malibu Comics had signed an agreement to produce the ***Star Trek: Deep Space Nine*** comic based on the upcoming syndicated television series. As the time for the comic draws nearer, Malibu has revealed additional news that should excite Star Trek fans: Malibu's ***Star Trek: Deep Space Nine*** comic will feature crossover visits from Captain Picard and other characters familiar to fans of ***Star Trek: The Next Generation***.

Malibu plans to begin releasing ***Deep Space Nine*** monthly comics, miniseries, and special one-shots this spring, just a few months after the January launch of the television show. According to *Andrea Hein*, Paramount Pictures' senior vice president, "The new arrangement reflects Malibu Comics' commitment to bringing an ideal blend of artistic and editorial skill, as well as personalized attention, to this new extension of the ***Star Trek*** franchise."

"As long-time admirers of both ***Star Trek*** and ***Star Trek: The Next Generation***, we are extremely pleased to be a part of the launch of ***Star Trek: Deep Space Nine***, which promises to be every bit as compelling as the two previous series," Malibu publisher *Dave Olbrich* said. "Obviously, we are gratified that Paramount, along with the creators and producers of ***Star Trek: Deep Space Nine***, recognized our desire to present the most authentic and highest quality version of the series possible. More importantly, we are confident that the ***Star Trek: Deep Space Nine*** comic books will be enjoyed by ***Star Trek*** fans and comic book enthusiasts alike."

CSN will bring you more precise news about rollout dates and creative teams for Malibu's ***Star Trek: Deep Space Nine*** projects just as soon as the information is confirmed.

JANUARY CHECKLIST

The following comic are tentatively slated for release on the dates given; alas, it's not uncommon for comics to be rescheduled or delayed due to various circumstances that, while they may be interesting sources of gossip, are irrelevant here. The end result is that these dates are subject to change at the last moment—far too late for us to include all those changes in this checklist. Also, different parts of the country will receive different books at different times; depending on where your local comics sho is located in relation to the publisher's printing site, your shop may receive these books later—or earlier—than the given date. If you have questons about delayed books, talk to the friendly people at your local comics shop. When CSN is notified in time, we will make changes in our checklist.

❒***2000 AD Showcase 10*** Fleetway/Quality $2.95

❒***666: Mark of the Beast 11*** Fleetway/Quality $1.95

❒***A-1 4*** 1/28 Marvel $5.95

❒***A-OK 3*** Antarctic $2.50

❒***Action Comics 686*** 1/7 DC $1.25

Funeral For a Friend Part Five—A CSN Hot Pick

❒***Advance Comics 51*** DCD $1.25

Find out what's coming up in March

❒***Adventure of Silver Blaze 1*** Caliber $2.50

Sherlock Holmes adventure

❒***Airman 1*** Malibu $1.95

Protectors spinoff

❒***Aliens 3 Movie Special 2*** 1/7 Dark Horse $2.95

❒***Aliens: Colonial Marines 1*** 1/7 Dark Horse $2.50

They're marine misfits playing garbage men at a toxic waste site...until Aliens show up to put them to the test—a CSN Hot Pick

❒***Alpha Flight 118*** 1/14 Marvel $1.75

❒***Amazing Spider-Man 375*** 1/14 Marvel $2.95

It's Spidey versus Venom in a battle royale that ties into the Venom limited series; this issue features a stunning holografx foil cover—a CSN Hot Pick

❒***Animal Man 57*** 1/28 DC $1.75

Vertigo premiere title

❒***Archer & Armstrong 9*** Valiant $2.50

❒***Archie 410*** Archie $1.25

❒***Archie Andrews Where Are You? Digest 86*** Archie $1.25

❒***Archie Digest 120*** Archie $1.25

❒***Avengers 360*** 1/21 Marvel $2.95

Kicking off the Avengers 30th Anniversary with a deluxe bronze foil cover; the Vision is replaced by an impostor

❒***Avengers West Coast 92*** 1/7 Marvel $1.25

❒***Barbie 27*** 1/14 Marvel $1.25

❒***Barbie Fashion 27*** 1/28 Marvel $1.25

❒***Batman 490*** 1/21 DC $1.25

❒***Batman Adventures 5*** 1/7 DC $1.25

❒***Batman: Legends of the Dark Knight 53*** 1/28 DC $1.75

"Hothouse" Part Two by Moore and Russell—is Poison Ivy back in the crime business again?...

❒***Batman: Shadow of the Bat 10*** 1/14 DC $1.75

❒***Battle Angel Alita 7*** Viz $2.75

❒***Beauty & the Beast 1*** Innovation $2.50/$3.95

Catherine and Vincent return in new, lushly romantic adventures set beneath the surface of modern New York; produced in conjunction with Ron Koslow, the television show's creators—a CSN Hot Pick

❒***Beetle Bailey Big Book 2*** Harvey $1.95

❒***Betty 5*** Archie $1.25

❒***Betty & Veronica Double Digest 37*** Archie $2.50

❒***Betty & Veronica Spectacular 3*** Archie $1.25

❒***Big Mouth 2*** Fantagraphics $2.95

❒***Big Someplace 2*** Caliber $2.50

❒***Bio 90/Price of Blood 2*** Bullet $2.50

❒***Black Beauty Special 2*** Now $4.95

Available with two different covers, one featuring the 80's Black Beauty and one featuring the '90s Black Beauty

❒***Black Canary 3*** 1/21 DC $1.75

❒***Black Condor 10*** 1/28 DC $1.25

❒***Bloodshot 3*** Valiant $2.25

❒***Boing Boing 10*** BB $3.95

❒***Books of Magic TPB*** 1/28 DC $19.95

Single-volume reprint of the four-issue miniseries that clarifies the role of magic in the DC Universe

❒***Bugged-Out Adventures of Ralfy Roach 2*** BOC $2.95

❒***Burnt Country 3*** Slave Labor $4.95

❒***By Bizarre Hands 1*** Tangram $2.50

❒***Cage 12*** 1/7 Marvel $1.75

❒***Cages Poster*** Tundra $12.95

❒***Captain America 413*** 1/7 Marvel $1.25

❒***Captain Sternn Print*** Tundra $7.95/$19.95

Berni Wrightson's intrepid hero is featured in his own print; available in unsigned and signed formats

❒***Captain Thunder 3*** Heroic $2.95

❒***Caravan Kidd 7*** 1/14 Dark HOrse $2.50

❒***Carl Barks Library Album 13*** Gladstone/Disney $8.95

❒***Casper Big Book 3*** Harvey $1.95

❒***Casper Digest 7*** Harvey $1.75

❒***Cerebus 166*** Aardvark-Vanaheim $2.25

❒***Cheap Sunglasses 1*** FBN $1.95

❒***Cherrys Jubilee 2*** Tundra $2.95

❒***Cheval Noir 38*** 1/14 Dark Horse $2.95

❒***Classic Star Wars 6*** 1/7 Dark Horse $2.50

Reprints of classic Goodwin-Williamson Star Wars strip material, redrawn and redesigned for comics format

❒***Codename: Genetix 3*** 1/28 Marvel $1.75

❒***Comic Book Marketplace 23*** CBM $2.95

❒***Comic Relief 47*** Page One, Inc. $3.50

❒***Comics Interview 117*** CI $3.95

Featuring an interview with Sam Kieth

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The strange tale of a man who finds himself split into several different parts, each of which has its own independent personality

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❒***Crow Color Portfolio*** Tundra $24.95

Six-plate color portfolio by Jim O'Barr features three color images done especially for this set; supposedly O'Barr's last Crow work (but let's hope he changes his mind!)—A CSN Hot Pick

❒***Crown of Kull*** SQP $12

❒***Crucible 1*** 1/7 DC 99¢

Return to the Impact Universe in the premiere issue of the limited series that picks up where the Impact titles left off

❒***Cruel World 1*** Fantagraphics $3.50

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❒***Cry For Dawn Compilation Book*** CFD $14.95

❒***Crying Freeman Part Five 3*** Viz $2.75

❒***Dahmer's Zombie Squad 1*** Boneyard $2.95

❒***Dancing With Your Eyes Closed*** Caliber $2.50

❒***Danger Funnies 1*** CFD $2.50

❒***Dante's Divine Comedy: Purgatorio*** Caliber $3.50

❒***Dare the Impossible 14*** Fleetway/Quality $1.95

❒***Daredevil 314*** 1/7 Marvel $1.25

❒***Dark 4*** Continuum $2.50

❒***Dark Angel 9*** 1/21 Marvel $1.75

❒***Dark Horse Comics 6*** 1/21 Dark Horse $2.50

Indiana Jones, RoboCop, and more

❒***Dark Horse Presents 70*** 1/7 Dark Horse $2.25

Beginning a seven-issue Jodorowsky-Moebius serial

❒***Dark Passion 2*** Heroic $2.95

❒***Darkhawk 25*** 1/7 Marvel $2.95

The origin of Darkhawk is revealed at last in an extra-long issue with a foil-stamped double gatefold cover—a CSN Hot Pick

❒***Darker Image 1*** Image $2.50

New anthology title featuring new heroes from Liefeld, Lee, and Kieth; each copy is polybagged with one of three trading cards—a CSN Hot Pick

❒***Darkhold 6*** 1/14 Marvel $1.75

❒***Darkstars 5*** 1/7 DC $1.75

❒***Dead 1*** Arrow $2.25

❒***Deadworld Archives 3*** Caliber $2.50

❒***Dean R. Koontz's Trapped SC GN*** Eclipse $8.99

Softcover version of graphic novel based on Koontz's story of men vs. giant rats

❒***Death Poster*** 1/21 DC $4.95

❒***Death's Head II Poster*** 1/21 Marvel $4.95

❒***Death's Head II 4*** 1/14 Marvel $1.75

❒***Death's Head II/Killpower: Battletide 4*** 1/28 Marvel $1.75

❒***Death: The High Cost of Living 1*** 1/14 DC $1.95

In this Vertigo limited series, Neil Gaiman and Chris Bachalo reveal what happens on the one day every century when Death becomes mortal—A CSN Hot Pick

❒***Deathlok 21*** 1/28 Marvel $1.75

❒***Death's of Stupidman 1*** Parody $2.50

What could they be poking fun at?...

❒***Deathstroke, the Terminator 20*** 1/14 DC $1.75

❒***Demon 33*** 1/21 DC $1.75

❒***Demon's Tails 1*** Adventure $2.50

Cat & Mouse spinoff limited series

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MINI MENTIONS

MARVEL® COMICS

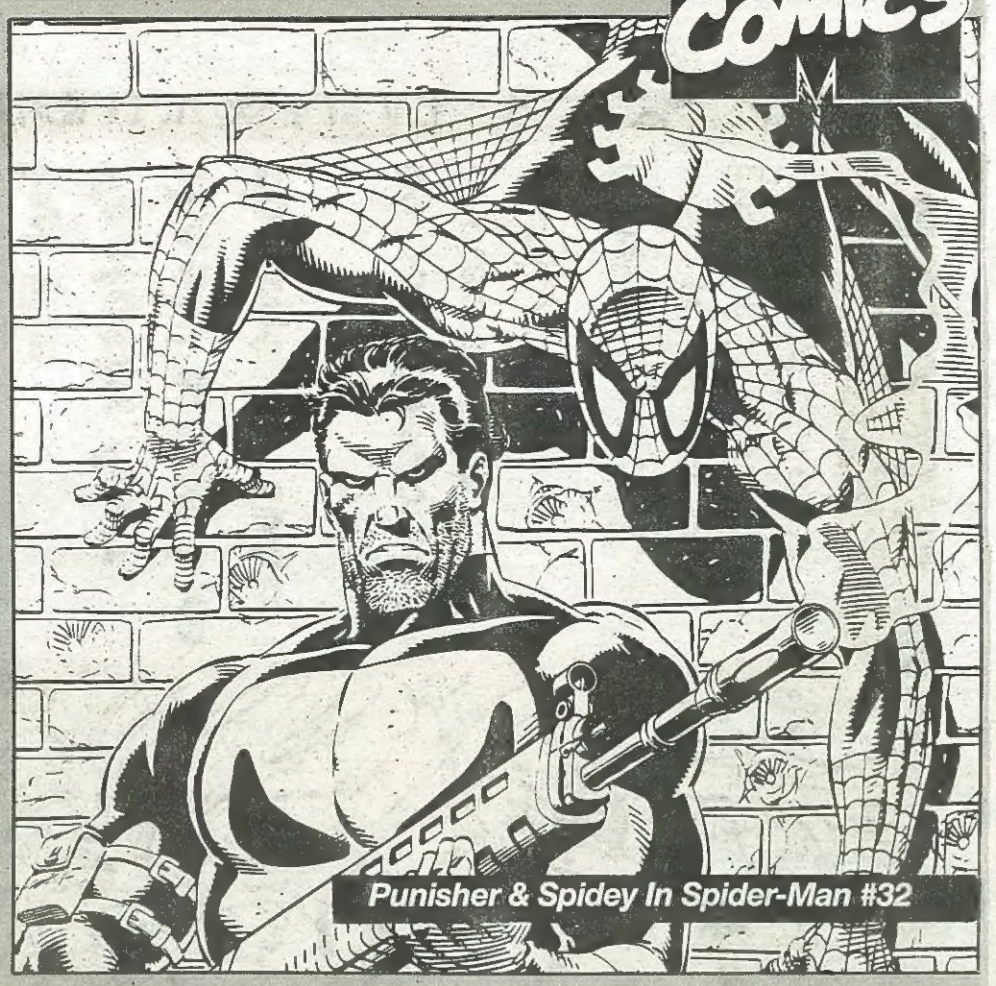
CRIME AND PUNISHMENT

The Punisher's so popular these days, he's pulling a bunch of guest shots in some of your favorite books this month. Check out all the gun blazing, grenade throwing, blood spattering action:

• NIGHTSTALKERS #5
Talking about firepower and overkill, *Nightstalkers* #5 finds the Punisher teaming up with our favorite scourges of the supernatural to defeat a Satanic cult. With the lives of an innocent family at stake and the Punisher caught in a battle with black magic, Hannibal King, Drake and Blade have their work cut out for them.

• SILVER SABLE #10
So you thought Silver Sable was just a female version of the Punisher? Then check out Issue #10, when Sable and the Punisher both go after Leviathan. Punisher wants the super villain dead, but Sable needs him alive-he may be the only man alive who knows what happened to her father!

• SPIDER-MAN #32
They say imitation is the sincerest form of flattery, but when somebody imitating Spider-Man goes on a killing spree, the Punisher goes after Spidey. Of course, when Spider-Man and the Punisher realize they've been fooled, they go after the real killer -- The Master of Vengeance--in part one of this three-part story line, "Vengeance."



Punisher & Spidey In Spider-Man #32

CELEBRATION AND RETRIBUTION

Somebody should teach Cage how to celebrate. *Cage* #12 marks his first anniversary issue and who does he invite to the party? Iron Fist! It's the double-size wrap-up to Cage's year long search for the man responsible for his "downfall". And it's packed with in-your-face Iron-Fisted excitement!

Who Believes In Ghosts?

Apparently the Punisher does. After a blow to the head that leaves him reeling, Punisher witnesses the accidental deaths of innocent bystanders at the hands of Kingpin's men. Overcome by guilt and the impression that their ghosts are following him, Punisher sets out to revenge their deaths and put their souls to rest. *Ghost Of The Innocents* is a two-issue limited series bookshelf comic that will show you a side of Frank Castle you've never seen before--and may never see again!

the AMAZING SPIDER-MAN®

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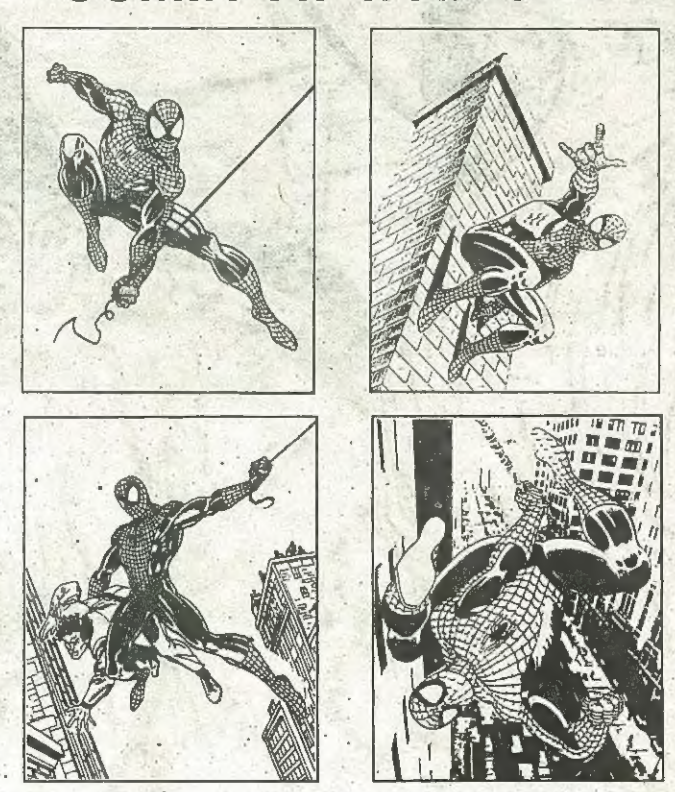

All four Spidey Holograms, picture perfect and ready to be framed. Mounted on a black background with silver border and silver logo. Makes a great gift!

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Written and Illustrated by Jim Starlin
Issues 2, 3 & 4 Inked by Terry Austin

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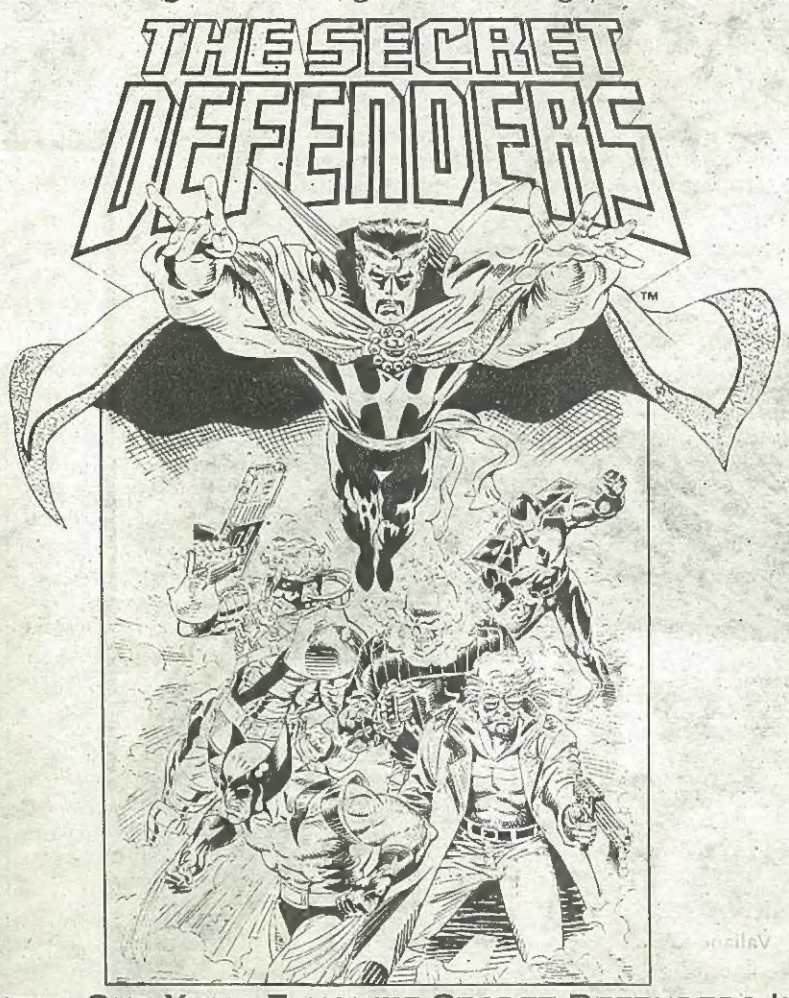
When The Going Gets Too Tough For Dr. Strange, He Assembles



CHECK OUT YOUR FAVORITE SECRET DEFENDERS IN THESE OTHER MARVEL COMICS:
WOLVERINE • NOMAD • DARKHAWK
AVENGERS WEST COAST • DR. STRANGE

AVENGERS
Don't Miss Issue #360! Fully Embossed Metallic Cover
MARVEL COMICS
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AFTER 30 YEARS ON THE FRONT LINES, THEY'RE FIGHTING BACK HARDER THAN EVER!

HOW TO TURN IRON INTO GOLD

It's easy when you're dealing with a classic like old Shellhead! *Masterworks* #20: *Tales of Suspense* 39-50 is a fitting addition to the Iron Man 30th Anniversary celebration. They're written by Stan Lee with art by Don Heck. You'll find the original Iron Man's origin, plus villains like Dr. Strange, the Red Barbarian, Kala, Queen of the Netherworld, the Mad Pharaoh, the Mysterious Melter, Jack Frost, Mister Doll and, of course, the Crimson Dynamo.

IRON MAN: The Inside story
Get under Iron Man's skin with *Iron Manual*, narrated by Tony Stark himself. You'll get detailed schematics, descriptions of weaponry and never-before-seen pages from Tony Stark's own spec book. Plus, a guided tour of the facilities Stark uses to create his armor.

GUESS WHO'S BACK?
Tony Stark returns with a new suit of armor and a striking gold foil cover in *Iron Man* #290. His new suit is so futuristic it shatters the boundaries of imagination. And the special back-up feature provides a sneak peak at the corporate world of Stark Enterprises, with the dirt on many of the supporting characters.

WOLVERINE vs. TERROR!
Wolverine is the prime suspect when a murderer with adamantium claws cuts loose, but Wolvie bets that the real killer is Terror! All-out Wolvie vs. Terror action makes *Terror* #9 a must-read!

DARKHAWK: RETURN TO FOREVER CONCLUDES!
Darkhawk and his evil nemesis go head-to-head, and the origin of Darkhawk's armor is revealed! *Darkhawk* #25 is a double-sized action extravaganza boasting a holo-grafx foil cover and a double gatefold poster. Don't miss out!

MARVEL SPOTLIGHT

Ok, admit it. *The Requirer* was filled with great stuff, but it was kind of...you know, expected. But then we saw the light. The new *Marvel Spotlight*! The new *Marvel Spotlight* is more than *The Requirer* ever dreamed of being! It's bolder, flashier, more exciting than ever. It's jam packed, crammed and filled to the brim with:

- Creator interviews (With the likes of Jim Starlin, Joe Kubert and others)
- Editorial features
- Sketchbook drawings seen nowhere else.

And the inside scoop on what's coming out of Marvel for the next thirty days!

Now that we've en***Light***ened *The Requirer*, there's no better way to stay current with comic events than by reading the FREE *Marvel Spotlight*.

We've Changed Our Name And Our Attitude

❒***Detective Comics 656*** 1/7 DC $1.25
❒***Digitek 4*** 1/28 Marvel $2.25
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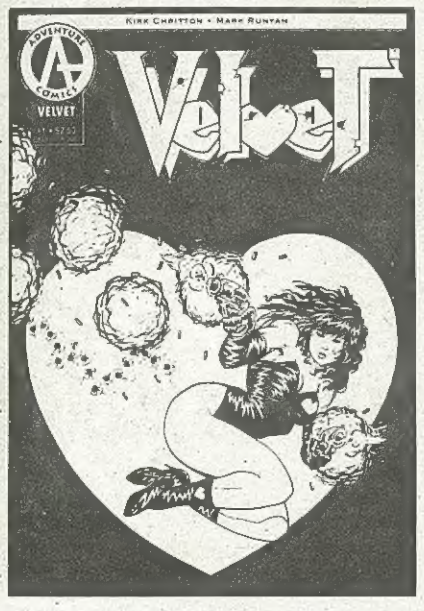
Based on the popular television show
❒***Disney Adventures 29*** Disney $1.95
❒***Disney's Colossal Collection 10*** disney $1.95
❒***Doctor Strange 51*** 1/28 Marvel $1.75
❒***Doctor Who 194*** 1/21 Marvel $4.95
❒***Doctor Who 195*** 1/28 Marvel $4.95
❒***Doctor Who: Classic Comics 3*** 1/28 Marvel $.95
❒***Donald Duck 35*** Disney $1.50
❒***Doom 2099 3*** 1/21 Marvel $1.25
❒***Doom Patrol Poster*** 1/21 DC $4.95
❒***Dr. Radium's Mad Science Card Set*** Slave Labor $8.95
❒***Dracula 4*** Topps $2.95
❒***Dread 9*** Fantaco $2.95
❒***Dredd Rules! 16*** Fleetway/Quality $2.95
❒***Duplex Planet Illustrated 1*** Fantagraphics $2.95
❒***Eclipso 5*** 1/21 DC $1.25
❒***Eightball 10*** Fantagraphics $2.95
❒***Elementals 26*** Comico $2.50
❒***Elfquest: The Hidden Years 5*** WaRP $2
❒***Elfquest: The Hidden Years HC*** WaRP $19.95
Deluxe hardcover at a bargain price—A CSN Hot Pick
❒***Enchanter 2*** Parody $2.50
❒***Enigma 1*** 1/21 DC $2.50
Vertigo miniseries by Peter Milligan and Duncan Fegredo explores the effects an existentialist superhero has on a young man's life—and the effect that young man will have on the hero, Enigma—a CSN Hot Pick
❒***Eternal Warrior 9*** Valiant $2.25
❒***Ex-Mutants 3*** Malibu $1.95
❒***Excalibur 63*** 1/21 Marvel $1.75
❒***Exotica 2*** CFD $2.50
❒***Fantaco Presents 1*** Fantaco $3.50
❒***Fantastic Four 374*** 1/28 Marvel $1.25
❒***Fantastic Four Unlimited 1*** 1/21 Marvel $3.95
Debut issue of a new quarterly FF series written by Howard Mackie & Roy Thomas and illustrated by Herb Trimpe; presented in the Marvel Fanfare format with cardstock covers—a CSN Hot Pick
❒***Felix the Cat & Friends 4*** Felix $1.95
❒***Femforce 57*** AC $2.75
❒***Femforce Up-Close 4*** AC $2.95
❒***Fish Police 6*** 1/21 Marvel $1.25
❒***Flare Adventures/Champions Classics 8*** Heroic $3.95
❒***Flare First Edition 6*** Heroic $3.95
❒***Flash 74*** 1/14 DC $1.25

❒***Freaks 4*** Mirage $2.50
❒***Furrlough 6*** Antarctic $2.50
❒***Game Shop News 13*** CSN
What CSN does for comics, GSN does for games; if you can't find it at the place where you get your games, demand that they get it!
❒***Geof Darrow's Comics & Stories*** 1/7 Dark Horse $29.95
Limited-edition French hardcover presents more of the ultra-detailed art from the illustrator of Hard Boiled—A CSN Hot Pick
❒***Ghost Rider 35*** 1/14 Marvel $1.75
❒***Ghost Rider Poster*** 1/21 Marvel $.95
❒***Ghost Rider/Blaze: Spirits of Vengeance 8*** 1/28 Marvel $1.75
❒***GI Joe 134*** 1/21 Marvel $1.25
❒***Gold Digger 3*** Antarctic $2.50
❒***Green Arrow 71*** 1/7 DC $1.75
❒***Green Arrow: The Wonder Year 2*** 1/21 DC $1.75
The early days of the Emerald Archer are explored in this series by Mike Grell and Gray Morrow
❒***Green Lantern 37*** 1/28 DC $1.25
❒***Green Lantern Corps Quarterly 4*** 1/21 DC $2.50
❒***Green Lantern: Mosaic 10*** 1/14 DC $1.25
❒***Grendel: War Child 6*** 1/7 Dark HOrse $2.50
❒***Groo the Wanderer 99*** 1/14 Marvel $2.25
❒***Guardians of the Galaxy 34*** 1/14 Marvel $1.25
❒***Guy Gardner 5*** 1/7 DC $1.25
❒***Gyro Gearloose in Color 1*** Gladstone/Disney $7.95
❒***Hacker Files 8*** 1/21 DC $1.95
❒***Hammerlocke 7*** 1/21 DC $1.75
❒***Harbinger 16*** Valiant $2.50
❒***HARD Corps 5*** Valiant $2.25
❒***Hard Looks 6*** 1/21 Dark Horse $2.50
❒***Harlem Heroes 4*** Fleetway/Quality $1.95
❒***Hawkworld 32*** 1/14 DC $1.75
Tim Truman illustrates the final issue of the series—but don't fret, because Hawkman will join the DC line-up in a couple of months!
❒***Heckler 7*** 1/21 DC $1.25
❒***Hellblazer 63*** 1/21 DC $1.75
Vertigo premiere title
❒***Hellraiser 20*** 1/28 Marvel $4.95
❒***Herbie 5*** 1/21 Dark Horse $2.50
More reprints of Hughes and Whitney's Fat Fury
❒***High School Agent 10*** Sun $2.50
❒***High School Agent 11*** Sun $2.50
❒***Hitmen 1*** Caliber $2.95
❒***Hot Stuff 7*** Harvey $1.25
❒***Incomplete Death's Head 3*** 1/28 Marvel $1.75
❒***Incomplete Death's Head 3*** 1/28 Marvel $1.75
❒***Incredible Hulk 403*** 1/21 Marvel $1.25
❒***Incredible Hulk: Future Imperfect 2*** 1/28 Marvel $5.95
Peter David and George Perez create this action-packed look at an alternature future in which the Hulk is the powerful tyrant of a post-apocalyptic world, and only our present-day Hulk has a chance of stopping him—a CSN Hot Pick
❒***Incredible Punk/Mighty Fore 1*** Parody $2.50
❒***Iron Maidens Portfolio*** SQP $10
❒***Iron Man 290*** 1/28 Marvel $2.95
A gold foil cover accents this 30th anniversary issue; Iron Man's new armor is unveiled as Tony Stark is back in action!—a CSN Hot Pick
❒***Iron Manual*** 1/21 Marvel $1.75
❒***Jetsons 3*** Harvey $1.25
❒***Judge Dredd Classics 75*** Fleetway/Quality $1.95
❒***Jughead 44*** Archie $1.25
❒***Jughead Jones Digest 81*** Archie $1.75
❒***Jughead With Archie Digest*** Archie $1.75

JANUARY CHECKLIST

❒***Jungle Girls 13*** AC $2.95
❒***Justice League America 72*** 1/21 DC $1.25
❒***Justice League Europe 47*** 1/7 DC $1.25
❒***Justice League International Quarterly 10*** 1/14 DC $3.50
❒***Justice Society of America 7*** 1/7 DC $1.25
❒***King Arthur Uncensored 3*** Aircel $2.95
❒***LEGION '93 50*** 1/28 DC $3.50
This super-giant issue features Lobo and Vril Dox on the trail of Ig'nea
❒***Legion of Super-Heroes 41*** 1/21 DC $1.75
❒***League of Champions 10*** Heroic $2.95
❒***Little Audrey 4*** Harvey $1.25
❒***Little Nemo's Wonderful Dreams Volume 1*** Eclipse $19.95
Reprints of classic Winsor McCay Nemo strips
❒***Lost In Space: Strangers GN*** Innovation $5.95
Reprinting Lost In Space #4-5
❒***Lucasfilm Fan Club 18*** STFC $2.50
❒***Lycra-Woman Christmas Special 1*** Comic Zone $2.95
❒***Macross II 5*** Viz $2.75
❒***Mad Magazine 318*** Mad $1.75
❒***Magnus: Robot Fighter 23*** Valiant $2.25
❒***Man From UNCLE: Birds of Prey Affair 2*** Millennium $2.95
Thrush is back...and this time, it looks like they're on top in the battle with UNCLE!
❒***Mangazine 19*** Antarctic $2.95
❒***Marat/Sade Journals*** Tundra $29.95
❒***Mark Beachum's Synapse 1*** CFD $2.50
❒***Married With Children Flashback Special 3*** Now $1.95
❒***Marvel Age 122*** 1/21 Marvel $1.25
❒***Marvel Comics 123*** 1/7 Marvel $1.50
❒***Marvel Comics 124*** 1/21 Marvel $1.50
❒***Marvel Preview 1993*** 1/7 Marvel $3.95
A clever Spy-Magazine-like look at the Marvel Univesre
❒***Marvel Tales 271*** 1/21 Marvel $1.25
❒***Marvel Universe Master Edition 28*** 1/28 Marvel $4.95
❒***Maverick Premiere 1*** Maverick $2
❒***Maximortal Poster*** Tundra $6.95/$19.95
❒***Mechanic Gemini 3*** Sun $2.50
❒***Melody 8*** Kitchen Sink $2.50
❒***Metacops Special 1*** Caliber $2.95
❒***Mighty Mutanimals 8*** Archie $1.25
❒***Miracleman 26*** Eclipse $2.95
❒***Missing Years 4*** JAL $5.95



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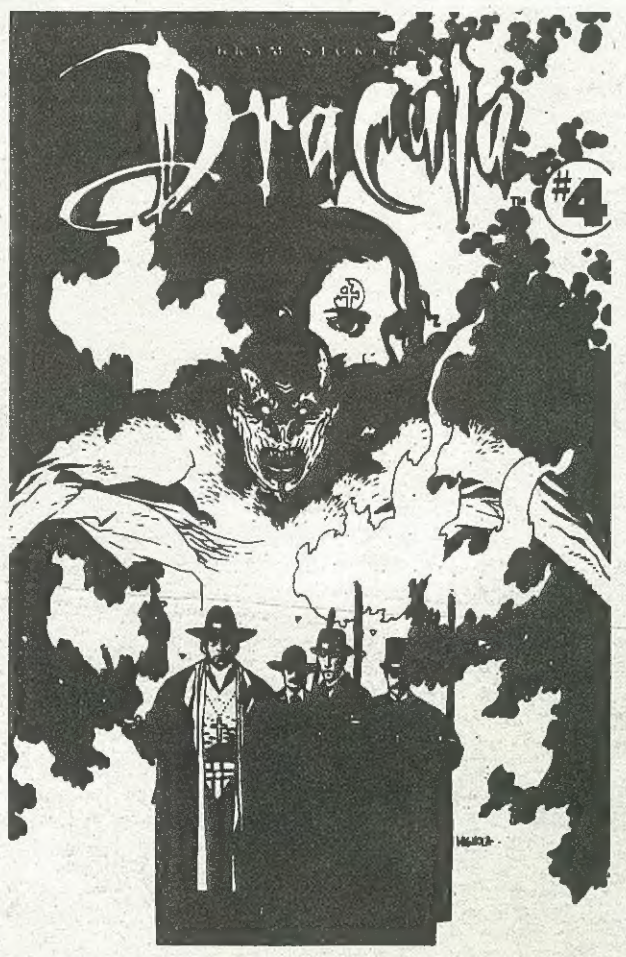
❒***Monkey Business 1*** Parody $2.50
❒***Monsters From Outer Space 2*** Adventure $2.50
❒***Moon Knight 48*** 1/28 Marvel $1.75
❒***Morbius 7*** 1/21 Marvel $1.75
❒***Motormouth 10*** 1/28 Marvel $1.75
❒***Mr. Trianglehead 2*** Caliber $2.50
❒***Mys-TECH Wars 1*** 1/28 Marvel $1.75
The destruction of Earth at Mys-TECH's hands is imminent, unless a group of American and UK heroes can stop them! The X-Men, the Fantastic Four, X-Force, and Nick Fury guest star along with Dark Angel, Motormouth, Knights of Pendragon, and the other British heroes—a CSN Hot Pick



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❒***The 'Nam 78*** 1/28 Marvel $1.75
❒***Namor the Sub-Mariner 36*** 1/7 Marvel $1.25
❒***Nausicaa of the Valley of Wind Part 3 2*** Viz $3.95
❒***Necromancer 5*** Citadel $2
❒***Necromancer: Strange Eons 1*** Anarchy $2.50
❒***New Titans 96*** 1/21 DC $1.75
❒***New Warriors 33*** 1/28 Marvel $1.25
❒***Next Man Special 1*** Comic Company A $6.95
Reprints with some new pages starring Next Man, who appeared inhis own comic in the mid-80's
❒***Next Men 11*** 1/14 Dark Horse $2.50
❒***Nexus: Alien Justice 2*** 1/7 Dark Horse $3.95
Baron and Rude are back!
❒***Nightbreed 25*** 1/21 Marvel $2.50
❒***Nightstalkers 5*** 1/7 Marvel $1.75
❒***Ninja High School 37*** Eternity $2.50
❒***Nomad 11*** 1/7 Marvel $1.75
❒***Nozone 4*** Nozone $5
❒***Omaha the Cat Dancer 18*** Kitchen Sink $2.95
❒***Original Ghost Rider 9*** 1/7 Marvel $1.75
❒***Orion 3*** 1/21 Dark Horse $2.50
❒***Pendragon II 9*** 1/14 Marvel $1.75
❒***Pendulum 3*** Adventure $2.50
❒***Peter Cannon: Thunderbolt 7*** 1/14 DC $1.25
❒***Peter Hsu's Gauntlet 5*** Aircel $2.95
❒***Peter Hsu's Gauntlet 6*** Aircel $2.95
❒***Phantom 7*** Wolf $2.25
❒***Pitt 3*** Image $1.95
Dale Keown's alien hero and his young friend Tommy get into more trouble—and someone's tracking down Pitt...
❒***Pitts 1*** Parody $2.50
❒***Planet of the Apes: Forbidden Zone 2*** Adventure $2.50
❒***Previews Volume 3 1*** Diamond $1.50
Find out what's coming up in March
❒***Propellorman 1*** Dark Horse $2.95
In a decadent, weary future, a solitary, powerful creature watches from the rooftops...looking for his creator; a new series by Matthais Schultheiss
❒***Protectors 5*** Malibu $2.50/$1.95
❒***Punisher 76*** 1/21 Marvel $1.25
❒***Punisher 2099 2*** 1/28 Marvel $1.25
❒***Punisher War Journal 52*** 1/28 Marvel $1.75
❒***Punisher: The Ghosts of the Innocents 1*** 1/7 Marvel $5.95
Limited series by Jim Starlin and Tom Grindberg has Frank Castle driven by the ghosts of innocent victims gunned down in a deadly showdown with the Kingpin's men

❒***Punisher: War Zone 13*** 1/14 Marvel $1.75
❒***Quasar 44*** 1/14 Marvel $1.25
❒***Queen of the Damned 6*** Innovation $2.50
❒***Radrex: Blood Relations 3*** Bullet $2.50
❒***Ragnarok Guy 11*** Sun $2.50
❒***Ragnarok Guy 12*** Sun $2.50
❒***Raika 25*** Sun $2.50
❒***Raika 26*** Sun $2.50
❒***Raika 27*** Sun $2.50
❒***Raika 28*** Sun $2.50
❒***Rank & Stinky 1*** Parody $2.50
❒***Ranma 1/2 Part 2 1*** Viz $2.95
❒***Rats! 2*** Slave Labor $2.50
❒***Ravage 2099 4*** 1/14 Marvel $1.25
❒***Razmataz Compilation*** Aja Blu $5.95
❒***Razorburn 1*** Aja Blu $5.95
❒***Ren & Stimpy 4*** 1/7 Marvel $1.75
❒***Revenge of Sinister Harvey 1*** Caliber $2.50
❒***Richie Rich Big Book 2*** Harvey $1.95
❒***Richie Rich Digest 37*** Harvey $1.75
❒***Ring of Roses 3*** 1/7 Dark Horse $2.50
❒***Robin III 6*** 1/14 DC $2.50/$1.25
Final issue of limited series; available in a deluxe collector's edition with a motion cover or in a standard format edition
❒***Robin Poster*** 1/21 DC $4.95
❒***RoboCop: Prime Suspect 4*** 1/21 Dark Horse $2.50
❒***Robotech II: The Sentinels Book II 18*** Eternity $2.50
Now monthly!
❒***Robotech: Firewalkers 1*** Eternity $2.50
One-shot spinoff from Invid War
❒***Robotech: Invid Wars 9*** Eternity $2.50
❒***Rockmeez 6*** JZink $2.50
❒***Saga of the Realm 4*** Caliber $2.50
❒***Sandman 47*** 1/21 DC $1.75
Vertigo premiere title
❒***Savage Henry 25*** Rip Off $2.50
❒***Savage Sword of Conan 207*** 1/7 Marvel $2.25
❒***Saved By the Bell 5*** Harvey $1.95
❒***Scarlett 2*** 1/7 DC $1.75
She's on the trail of the vampires who killed her parents
❒***Scooby Doo 3*** Harvey $1.25
❒***Scrap City Pack Rats 4*** Out of the Blue $1.50
❒***Scream Play 1*** Aircel $2.95
❒***Secret Defenders 1*** 1/14 Marvel $2.75
Dr. Strange is the focus of this new, changing-lineup Defenders team; his first partners include Nomad, Wolverine, Spider-Woman, and Darkhawk in a story arc written by Roy Thomas and illustrated by Andre Coates; first issue features a foil-stamped cover—a CSN Hot Pick
❒***Shade the Changing Man 33*** 1/14 DC $1.75
Vertigo premiere title
❒***Shadow Riders 2*** 1/14 Marvel $1.75
❒***Shadowman 12*** Valiant $2.50
❒***She-Hulk 49*** 1/7 Marvel $1.75
❒***SHIELD 45*** 1/21 Marvel $1.75
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❒***Showcase '93 3*** 1/28 DC $1.95
❒***Silver Sable 10*** 1/14 Marvel $1.25
❒***Silver Surfer 78*** 1/28 Marvel $1.25
❒***Silver Surfer/Warlock: Resurrection 1*** 1/21 Marvel $2.50
Jim Starlin writes and draws this limited series that takes the Surfer across the universe in a quest for Shalla Bal, who Warlock believes may be alive—a CSN Hot Pick
❒***Silverstorm Collection*** Caliber $5.95
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❒***Solar, Man of the Atom 20*** Valiant $2.25
❒***Sonic Deserter 3*** Sun $2.50
❒***Space Patrol 3*** Adventure $2.50
❒***Spacehawk 5*** 1/21 Dark Horse $2.50
❒***Sparkplug 1*** Heroic $2.95
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Neil Gaiman guest-writes this special issue—A CSN Hot Pick
❒***Spectacular Spider-Man 198*** 1/28 Marvel $1.25
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❒***Spicy II Trading Card Set*** Kitchen Sink $10.95
❒***Spider-Man 32*** 1/21 Marvel $1.75
❒***Spider-Man 2099 5*** 1/7 Marvel $1.25
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All four holograms from last year's thirtieth-anniversary Spidey books, presented on a heavy-stock black display sheet—A CSN Hot Pick
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❒***Spider-Man: Cosmic Adventures TPB*** 1/28 Marvel $19.95
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❒***Spirit: The Origin Years 5*** Kitchen Sink $2.95
❒***Spoof Comics 9: Hobo*** Friendly $2.95
❒***Stanley & His Monster 2*** 1/14 DC $1.50
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❒***Star Trek: The NExt Generation 44*** 1/28 DC $1.75
❒***Star Trek: The Next Generation Magazine 22*** Starlog $4.95
❒***Star Trek: The Official Fan Club Magazine 89*** STFC $2.50
❒***Star Wars - UK Edition 1*** 1/14 Dark Horse $2.95
❒***Starlog 188*** Starlog $4.95
❒***Stormfront 1*** Maverick $2
❒***Strip Adventure Volume Two 4*** JAL $5.95
❒***Superman 77*** 1/21 DC $1.25
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❒***Superman: Man of Steel 21*** 1/14 DC $1.25
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❒***Supreme 5*** Image $1.95
❒***Surf-Crazed Comics 4*** Surf-Crazed $2.50
❒***Swamp Thing 129*** 1/28 DC $1.75
❒***Tales From the Crypt 3*** EC $1.50
❒***Tales From the Heart 10*** Slave Labor $2.95
❒***Tales of Suspense 39 Milestone Edition*** 1/14 Marvel $2.95
Reprinting the first appearance of Iron Man, along with two previously-unreprinted sf shorts
❒***Tarzan: The Beckoning 3*** Malibu $2.50
Tom Yeates writes and draws this tale of Tarzan versus ivory poachers
❒***Taste of Revenge Part Two*** Viz $14.95
❒***Team Titans 7*** 1/28 DC $1.75
❒***Teenage Mutant Ninja Turtles 55*** Mirage $2.25

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❒***Teenage Mutant Ninja Turtles Adventures 43*** Archie $1.25
❒***Terminal Drift 1*** Neotek Iconography $3
❒***Terror, Inc. 9*** 1/7 Marvel $1.75
❒***Thirteen Something 3*** Felix $1.95
❒***Thor 460*** 1/28 Marvel $1.25
❒***Timber Wolf 4*** 1/7 DC $1.25
❒***Time Killers 3*** Fleetway/Quality $2.95
❒***TMNT Adventures Special 4*** Archie $2.50
❒***TMNT Presents: The May East Saga 1*** Archie $1.25
❒***TMNT Special: The Maltese Turtle*** Mirage $2.95
❒***Toxic Crusaders 1*** 1/28 Marvel $1.25
❒***Trailer Trash 4*** Tundra $2.25
❒***Tropo 7*** Blackbird $2.75
❒***True Crime Comics 1*** Eclipse $2.99
❒***Twilight X: Interlude 4*** Antarctic $2.95
❒***Twilight Zone SF Special 1*** Now $3.50
❒***Twister 3*** Harris $2.95
❒***UN Force 1*** Caliber $2.95
❒***Uncanny X-Men 298*** 1/7 Marvel $1.25
❒***Uncle Scrooge 277*** Disney $1.50
❒***Up 'n' Coming 23*** Styx $1.25
Find out what's coming up in March
❒***Valor 5*** 1/14 DC $1.25
❒***Vampirella 3*** Harris $2.95
❒***Velvet 1*** Adventure $2.50
❒***Venom 2*** 1/28 Marvel $2.95
Venom just wants to get away from his past—but the relatives of some of his former victims aren't willing to forgive and forget; miniseries created by Michelinie & Bagley, the hot Amazing Spider-Man team—a CSN Hot Pick
❒***Venus Wars II 8*** 1/14 Dark Horse $2.25
❒***Veronica 27*** Archie $1.25
❒***Version 1.2*** 1/21 Dark Horse $2.50
❒***Walt Disney's Comics & Stories 582*** Disney $2.95
❒***Warhead 10*** 1/28 Marvel $1.75

❒***Warlock & the Infinity Watch 14*** 1/21 Marvel $1.75
❒***Web of Spider-Man 98*** 1/7 Marvel $1.25
❒***Weird Science 3*** EC $1.50
❒***Wendy 10*** Harvey $1.25
❒***What If? 47*** 1/21 Marvel $1.25
❒***Wild West COWBoys - The Series 2*** Archie $1.25
❒***Wildstar: Sky Zero 1*** Image $2.50
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❒***William Shatner's Tekworld 7*** 1/28 Marvel $1.75
❒***Witching Hour 2*** Millennium $2.50
❒***Wizard 18*** Wizard $3.95
Featuring a prismatic-bordered Pitt trading card
❒***Wizard: The 100 Most Collectible Comics 1*** Wizard $3.95
❒***Wolverine 67*** 1/14 Marvel $1.75
❒***Women of the DC Universe Poster*** 1/21 DC $4.95
❒***Wonder Man 19*** 1/14 Marvel $1.25
❒***Wonder Woman 72*** 1/14 DC $1.25
❒***World Championship Wrestling 12*** 1/7 Marvel $1.25
❒***World of Archie 4*** Archie $1.25
❒***X-Factor 88*** 1/21 Marvel $1.25
❒***X-Force 20*** 1/28 Marvel $1.25
❒***X-Men 18*** 1/21 Marvel $1.25
❒***X-Men Adventures 5*** 1/14 Marvel $1.25
❒***X-Men Classic 81*** 1/28 Marvel $1.25
❒***X-Men Poster*** 1/21 Marvel $4.95
❒***X-O Manowar 15*** Valiant $2.25
❒***Young Dracula 1*** Caliber $3.50
❒***Young Indiana Jones Chronicles 11*** 1/14 Dark Horse $2.50
❒***Zen, Intergalactic Ninja 4*** Archie $1.25
❒***Zippy Quarterly 1*** Fantagraphics $4.95
Bill Griffith's offbeat surreal hero gets his own comic at last; reprinting classic Zippy strips, including some hard-to-find pieces—a CSN Hot Pick

Last Week *CSN* featured the start-up plans for Milestone, an interview with Fabian Nicieza and the December Charts...whew!

Next Week *CSN* will feature the Janyary Hot Picks.

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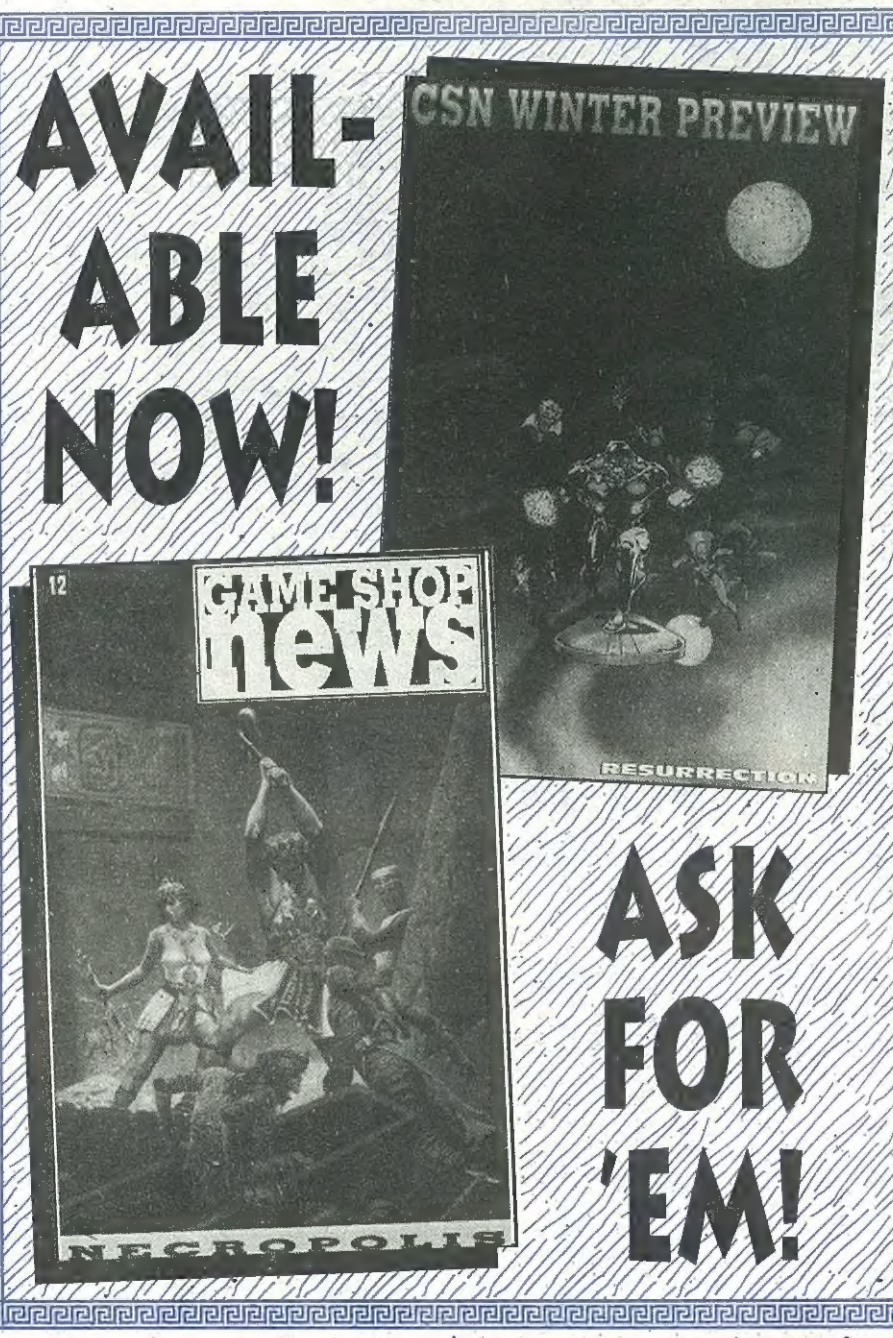

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